

# Old Cow Crossing the Road

**A**

D G A7 D A7

G A7 G A7 D

G A7 G

A7 D A7 1. D

**B**

2. D G

C G C D7 C

G G D7 G

C G C G D7 C D7

G

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"Old Cow Crossing the Road", also known as "Old Cow Crossed the Road" is an American country rag or polka in C Major ('A' part) & F Major ('B' part).

The piece seems to have derived from a song tune and is associated with western Virginia (Galax) and northwestern N.C. fiddlers. A tune by this name was in the repertoire of Galax, Virginia, fiddler Herbert Higgins in the 1930's, later recorded by Bert Edwards of Mt. Airy, N.C..

Samuel Bayard's Pennsylvania-collected "The Old Cow Crossed the Road" is a close variant as is the New York-collected "Pop Weir Tune".

It was printed in Lamancusa's **The Gettysburg Collection of Old-Time Fiddle Tunes** (2021).

It was recorded by Kirk Sutphin on **Fiddlin' Around** (1993), The Lundy Family on **Back in Galax Again** (1992), The New Southern Cowtippers on **Old Bell Cow** (2006) and Bert Edwards on **Bert's Bambaree: Old-time Fiddle Pieces** (c. 1988).